



## 2012 Southwest Economic Theory Conference



### Department of Economics at the University of California, San Diego February 25-26, 2012

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## Submissions

Submissions are currently being accepted and reviewed. Please email your paper submissions to [watsonvs@ucsd.edu](mailto:watsonvs@ucsd.edu).



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## Conference Schedule: Overview

Proceedings held in Otterson Hall at the UC San Diego's Rady School of Management

### Friday, February 24, 2012

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Welcome Gathering at the [Embassy Suites in La Jolla](#)  
(Food & Drinks Available for Purchase)

### Saturday, February 25, 2012

**8:00 am - 8:30 am** Registration & Refreshments  
**8:30 am - 9:30 am** Session I  
**9:30 am - 9:45 am** Break  
**9:45am - 11:00 am** Session II (plenary talk)  
**11:00am - 11:15 am** Break  
**11:15 am - 12:15 pm** Session III  
**12:15 pm - 1:30 pm** Lunch  
**1:30 pm - 2:30 pm** Session IV  
**2:30 pm - 2:45 pm** Break  
**2:45 pm - 3:45 pm** Session V  
**3:45 pm - 4:00 pm** Break  
**4:00 pm - 5:15 pm** Session VI  
  
**6:00 pm - 9:00 pm** Banquet at Embassy Suites Hotel

### Sunday, February 26, 2012

**8:00 am - 8:30 am** Registration & Refreshments  
**8:30 am - 9:30 am** Session VII  
**9:30 am - 9:45 am** Break  
**9:45 am - 10:30 am** Session VIII (plenary talk)  
**10:30 am - 10:45 am** Break  
**10:45 am - 11:45 am** Session IX

## Conference Schedule: Detailed

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2012

**8:00 am - 8:30 am** **Registration & Refreshments**

**8:30 am - 9:30 am** **Session I**  
Rod Garratt, UC Santa Barbara (joint with Thomas Troger)  
[Second-Chance Offers](#)

Troy Kravitz, UC San Diego (joint with Aislinn Bohren)  
[Incentives in Crowdsourcing](#)

**9:30 am - 9:45 am** **Break**

**9:45 am - 11:00 am** **Session II**  
Ying Chen, Arizona State University (joint with Hulya Eraslan)  
[Rhetoric in Legislative Bargaining with Asymmetric Information](#)

**Plenary Talk**  
Ehud Kalai, Northwestern (joint with Adam Kalai)  
[Cooperation in Strategic Games Revisited](#)

**Break**

**11:00 am - 11:15 am**

**11:15 am - 12:15 pm** **Session III**  
Heikki Rantakari, University of Southern California  
[Project Selection with Strategic Communication and Further Investigations](#)

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2012

**8:00 am - 8:30 am** **Registration & Refreshments**

**8:30 am - 9:30 am** **Session VII**  
Frederico Zincenko, UC Los Angeles (joint with Ichiro Obara)  
[On Tacit Collusion among Asymmetric Firms in Bertrand Competition](#)

Pete Troyan, Stanford University (joint with Alejandro Francetich)  
[Collusion in Interdependent-Value Auctions: An Informed Principal Approach](#)

**9:30 am - 9:45 am** **Break**

**9:45 am - 10:30 am** **Session VIII**  
**Plenary Talk**  
Arthur Robson, Simon Fraser University  
[The Evolution of Decision and Experienced Utilities.](#)

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**10:30 am - 10:45 am** **Break**

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**10:45 am - 11:45 am** **Session IX**  
Rachel Moore, UC Santa Barbara  
[Why are Defined Benefit Pensions Disappearing](#)

Kenneth Mirkin, UC Los Angeles  
[Recessions and the Information Content of Unemployment](#)

George Georgiadis, UC Los Angeles

[Projects and Team Dynamics](#)

11:45 am Adjourn

**Lunch**

12:15 pm - 1:30 pm

**Session IV**

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Florian Ederer, UC Los Angeles (joint with Bruce Ian Carlin and Steven Lippman)

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Jean-Paul Carvalho, UC Irvine

[Veiling](#)

**Break**

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm

**Session V**

2:45 pm - 3:45 pm Moritz Meyer-ter-Vehn, UC Los Angeles (joint with Simon Board)

Competitive Insurance Markets without Commitment

Salvatore Nunnari, California Institute of Technology (joint with

Marco Battiglini and Tom Palfrey)

The Free Rider Problem: A Dynamic Analysis

**Break**

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm

**Session VI**

4:00 pm - 5:15 pm John Wooders, University of Technology Sydney (joint with Diego Moreno)

[Equilibrium Dynamics in Markets for Lemons](#)

Marek Pycia, UC Los Angeles (joint with Qingmin Liu)

[Ordinal Efficiency, Fairness, and Incentives in Large Markets](#)

**Banquet at Embassy Suites La Jolla**

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm



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## Accommodations

### Hotel Reservation Deadline: Wednesday, January 25, 2012

*The room block will be released and the special rate will not be available after Wednesday, January 25th.*

Hotel Information:

[Embassy Suites San Diego - La Jolla](#)

Rate: \$145.00 + tax

Reservations: 858-453-0400

Reference: *SWET Conference*

*Please note there will be no travel or lodging subsidy available for conference participants however graduate students presenting at the conference may be eligible for a portion of their travel expenses to be subsidized by the conference on a funds-available basis.*



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### Walking to Otterson Hall

The walking map will help guide you to Otterson Hall where the conference proceeding will be held. Signage will also be posted along the walking path to assist in locating the venue.

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